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Sir:

In response to the Quayle Action mailed November 5, 2003, Applicants are submitting herewith a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), Preliminary Amendment, and Information Disclosure Statement in connection with the above-identified application.